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- May 31- Ryde. Hon. Sec., Miss K. A. Wade, 10 Partlands June 5—Avenue, Ryde, I.O.W.
- 5-7—Cheltenham (American). (Non-official). Hon. Tourn. Sec., Croquet Club, Old Bath Road, Cheltenham.
- " 12-19—Carrickmines. Championship of Ireland. Hon. Sec., Croquet Club, Carrickmines, Dublin.
- " 14-19—Compton. Hon. Sec., H. C. S. Perry, Hockington

House, Willingdon, Eastbourne,

- ,, 18-21—Woking (American). (Non-official). Hon. Sec., D. C. Caporn, Hampton Court Palace, East Molesey, Surrey.
- ,, 21-26—Parkstone. Hon. Sec., Mrs. McMordie, Yapton, Delhi Close, Parkstone, Dorset.
- July 28- Budleigh Salterton. (Non-official). Hon. Sec., Lawn 2—Tennis and Croquet Club, Budleigh Salterton, Devon.
- June 28-July Southwick. (Non-official). Hon. Sec., W. H. Austin, 3—Flat A, 3 Victoria Road, Southwick, Sussex.
- July 5-10—Budleigh Salterton. Hon. Sec., Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club, Budleigh Salterton, Devon.
- ", 9-18—Challenge and Gilbey Cups. Rochampton. Secretary C.A., The Hurlingham Club, S.W.6.
- " 19-24—Cheltenham. Hon. Tourn. Sec., Croquet Club, Old Bath Road, Cheltenham.
- " 19-24—Colchester. Hon. Sec., E. P. Duffield, 5 Acland Avenue, Colchester.
- " 26-31—Open Championships. Hurlingham. Secretary C.A., The Hurlingham Club, S.W.6.
- Aug. 2-11—Hurlingham. Games Sec., The Hurlingham Club, S.W.6. (Not the C.A. Secretary).
- , 13-15—Cheltenham (American). (Non-official). Hon. Tourn. Sec., Croquet Club, Old Bath Road, Cheltenham.
- " 14-21—Championship of County Dublin. (Non-official). Hon. Sec., Croquet Club, Carrickmines, Dublin.
- " 16-21—Nottingham. Hon. Tourn. Sec., F. B. Stephens, Ebor House, 24 Gladstone Terrace, Grantham, Lincs.
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- " 23-28—Southwick. Hon. Sec., W. H. Austin, Flat A, 3 Victoria Road, Southwick, Sussex.
- " 30- Hunstanton. Hon. Sec., Mrs. N. A. Rolfe, The Sept. 4—Cottage, Heacham, Norfolk.
- " 6-10—President's Cup. Hurlingham. Secretary C.A., The Hurlingham Club, S.W.6.
- " 6-10—Surrey Cup. Cheltenham. Secretary C.A., Hurling-ham Club, S.W.6.
- " 6-11—Parkstone. Hon. Sec., Mrs. McMordie, Yapton, Delhi Close, Parkstone, Dorset.
- " 11-13—Cheltenham (American). (Non-official). Hon. Tourn. Sec., Croquet Club, Old Bath Road, Cheltenham.
- " 14-16—All England Handicap Area Finals. Roehampton. Secretary C.A., The Hurlingham Club, S.W.6.
- " 20-25—Roehampton. Games Sec., Roehampton Club, Roehampton Lane, S.W.15.
- ,, 27- Devonshire Park. Secretary C.A., The Hurlingham Oct. 9—Club, S.W.6.

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NOTES by ROVER

How to 'get on with it'

It may be supposed that most croquet players have some sort of notion of what they regard as an ideal form of their game—at least to watch, if they do not feel capable of playing such a thing themselves. But do they often pause to reflect that some of the characteristics they would most commend may be incompatible with others? For example, nearly everyone will be heard to say that they can't stand long games, that players should 'get on with it', 'go out for things', and take risks. (We admit that there is one of our star performers, known to many of us, who may often be heard to say 'we had a lovely double, a glorious game; it went on for nearly five hours!') But do those who cry out for quick games feel equally happy at being involved in a defeat by 26 in which they have not had-or at any rate have failed to obtain—a real chance? And when they ask, as perhaps they may rightfully do, that anyway others, if not they themselves, should take risks, do they realise that by definition risks may involve as much-or more-failure than success, and if such failures become frequent they are more likely to lengthen games than to hasten them? Prudence is indeed scarcely a less important virtue at Croquet than enterprise. It used to be said of one of our most attractive players in the post-war years that he was an outstandingly good judge of when and how to take a risk; he was never 'backward in going forward', but equally he would seldom go forward merely for the 'thrill' of doing so if he saw the probability that this would in effect lead him backwards.

More haste, less speed?

Actually games are often more effectively hastened by quick anticipation, reasonably rapid movement on to and about the court, and readiness to think on one's feet while doing so, than by impulsive and over-optimistic tactics. But quick thinking can have its dangers; there are a few, even among our best players, who sometimes allow a rapid brain to hurry them into a stroke before they are properly prepared to make it. Acceleration during a break is one of the commonest ways of losing it; one of the greatest assets of the greatest of lady players, whose loss we now mourn, was her unsurpassed capacity to combine concentration with a rate of play which remained absolutely uniform from the first stroke of a turn to the last. What we really need to take as our 'ideal', one would suggest, is not a quick game but one in which something truly constructive is always going on —or at any rate being attempted—by all those concerned in it; it is the merely dilatory that we ought to condemn, and perhaps even learn to suspect in ourselves. Of course at the highest levels of the game it is reasonable to hope that players will pursue ambitions which would be merely foolhardy in those with lesser skills; to watch our Open Champion attempting a 'three ball triple' is fascinating because feats involving such perfection of accuracy are within his powers. Yet humbler executants can find in games which ex hypothasi are unlikely to be short an equal fascination for themselves. The battle of wits in a well played pegged-out game can be more rewarding, both to engage in and to watch, at the end of three hours than a 26 won in forty minutes.

A case of "cruelty"

One eminent player was heard to say, last season, of a middle-bisquer who was building up a long lead against a near-scratch player without having felt the need to call upon his bisques, that he was being "cruel" to his opponent: strangely enough, this was not intended as a tribute to his tactics, for the implication was that to establish a winning position without using any bisques was somehow reprehensible. To one who has never thought much of the idea that it was "bad manners" to beat one's opponent without using up all one's bisques, this seemed a curious view. Such tactics may indeed be unsound: a low-bisquer may not in fact go round off every innings, but he is at least liable to do so, and the more chances he has the more likely it is that he will: and if he does, he gains an advantage which even profitable use of bisques may be unable to offset: the safest way of ensuring that he never does is to use one's bisques to finish the game before he has had a chance. But that would be a different objection to the one put forward. Given that one's strategic objective in any game is to win it—though by fair means—then it is hard to fault tactics which go far towards achieving this whilst keeping the bisques in reserve. Why a player should be under any obligation to use up bisques against an opponent whose play, on the day, seems inadequate to force this, is rather mysterious. The balancing factors are the risk that one will reach the end game without a bisque for rescue purposes, and the risk that by prolonging the game, one gives one's opponent additional chances of going round. But no question of etiquette arises.

A Paradox

It is well known to all Associates that the mere fact that a ball runs its hoop in order is no guarantee that the hoop will be scored. For instance, a ball which makes a roquet and in the same stroke runs its hoop does not score the hoop (Law 4a). Similarly, certain irregularities in play, such as playing the wrong ball, may cause the point not to be scored.

This might lead a reader of the Laws to suppose that a super-attentive player could never be in doubt, when he saw his ball pass through its hoop, whether the hoop would be scored or not. This would be a mistake. According to the Laws there is at least one situation where the matter is decided by what the balls do after the

The trouble revolves round Law 16b (iii) which is a sublaw chiefly designed to assist players who engage in Irish peels. The law states that if in a croquet shot the striker's ball scores a hoop and then hits the croqueted ball, no roquet is made unless the balls are in contact when they come to rest. Now suppose that in a croquet shot Red and Blue together go through the first hoop, that they then make contact, and that in the same shot they go through the second hoop. Then if the balls finish up in contact, Red did roquet Blue between the hoops and so did not score the second hoop (Law 4a). If the balls come to rest apart, no such roquet was made, and the second hoop is scored.

The highly paradoxical nature of this result leads this Rover to wonder whether it is the job of the Laws to cope with problems that are unlikely to arise once in a hundred years. He is inclined to believe that it is.

LONGMAN CLUB TEAM CUP 1965



Results of the Area Winners must be at the Croquet Association Office by Wednesday, July 14th. Immediately after this date a further draw will be sent to Clubs.

Notes from the Clubs

Chelmsford and Mid. Essex

After more than fifteen years of devoted service as Secretary, Miss Metcalf has this year handed over to Mrs. E. Whitehead. The season opened on April 24th with 16 playing members; although we are glad to see all our former members back again we must hope for some new members if our future is to remain secure. In spite of inclement weather our groundsman, Mr. Turner, managed to get all three courts in better shape than they usually are for the opening. We are looking forward to a revived interest in our club competitions and to a varied and interesting season.

Colchester

We suffered a serious loss this winter in the death of our Chairman, Mr. R. J. Hinnell. He will long be remembered, not merely for his many services to the club but for his cheerful, friendly disposition which endeared him to all who met him on or off the courts. As a small token of their appreciation the members unanimously elected Mrs. Hinnell as an honorary life member. The office of chairman has been taken over by Mr. E. P. Duffield who is succeeded as Secretary by Mr. E. Whitehead.

We start the season with 35 playing members—our hightest total ever. Thanks to Mr. Duffield's careful ministrations during the winter all four courts promise to be in excellent condition. An attractive shelter for courts 3 and 4 has been cleverly designed and constructed by Mr. B. P. Braund and should be a great asset whenever it is either too hot, too wet, too cold or too windy—which is quite often!

A substantial programme of matches and one-day tournaments has been arranged and we intend to repeat the Open Unofficial Tournament in July which proved to be the highlight of last season's

Hurlingham

In our early-season friendly match against Roehampton the customary three doubles games were played, and this year the match was enlarged to include a contest for second teams. In each case the result was a narrow win by Hurlingham by 2 games to 1. The occasion was marred by heavy rain which detracted from the enjoyment of those taking part. A noteworthy feature of the first team match was that all but one of the contestants had played in the President's Cup or the Surrey Cup.

We are pleased to welcome Ian Baillieu back for the season: his

We are pleased to welcome Ian Baillieu back for the season: his early form suggests he is in for a good season. He has been co-opted to the Croquet sub-committee where his vast knowledge and experience will be invaluable.

Cambridge University Croquet Club

The loss of James Laurenson, David Miller and Rupert Thorp at the end of last season was a severe blow to the Club. But the team is being very successfully rebuilt and we look forward to a close tussle with Oxford.

The following fixtures have been arranged:

Wrest Park — May 1st
Colchester — May 15th-16th
Hunstanton — June 5th-6th
Roehampton — June 18th
Compton — June 20th
Southwick — June 21st

Oxford — June 22nd (at Hurlingham)

All our matches are away as there are few good courts in Cambridge, but we are very grateful to Mrs. Heley for encouraging us to use her lawn for practice.

We had a very enjoyable day's croquet at Wrest Park on Saturday May 1st. Their new lawns have improved since last year and the trueness of them was reflected in the high proportion of long shots hit.

HANDICAPS CLUB RECOMMENDATIONS

CHELTENHAM

NEW HANDICAPS

Miss. M. Hawkins +12*. Miss E. Hawkins +10*. Mrs. J. W. Solomon 16 (D14.) After Play

K. A. Ross 4 to 3. Cmdr. G. Borrett 4 to 3½. C. H. L. Prichard 10 to 9.

BUDLEIGH SALTERTON

NEW HANDICAPS

Sir Leonard Daldry 10. Mrs. Hilda Harris 16 (D14.) W. R. Bucknall (non-Associate) 7.

After Play
W. B. Franklin 5 to 4.
Prof. A. C. S. Ross 6½ to 5.
Mrs. A. C. S. Ross 10 to 10 (D8.)
Mrs. D. E. Nash 10 to 9.
Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt 2 to 1½.
Col. W. R. Healing 2½ to 2.
F. Henshaw 13 to 12 (D10.)
Dr. R. R. Traill 12 (D10) to 11 (D10.)

HURLINGHAM

Mrs. M. Cane 14 to 13.
R. G. Garrett 12 to 11.
M. Spencer Ell 0 to 1\frac{1}{2}.
T. F. H. Jessell 3 to 2\frac{1}{2}.
Mrs. A. D. Karmel 7\frac{1}{2} to 7.
O. A. Kerensky 9 to 8.
S. G. Kent 7 to 6.
F. Learoyd-Hine 12 to 11.
W. Longman 1 to 2.
C. B. Sanford 9 to 8.
P. E. M. Shaw 11 to 10.
Mrs. B. Sundius-Smith 8 to 7.

WOKING

Rev. Canon A. J. W. Pym 6 to 5. Capt. H. Nalder 10 to 9.

HUNSTANTON

Mrs. D. F. Caporn 11 to 10.

ROEHAMPTON

Prof. B. G. Neal 0 to -1.

This month, next month, sometime

THE CLUB HANDICAP DOUBLES

Brrr... brrr... brrr... Is that you, Daphne? What about playing our Punkthorne doubles this week?... Oh! I see... Well, what about next week?... Yes, I know it's only April, but that makes it May and you know what Charles said?... Oh well, I'll try the others... Bye-bye.

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Brrr... brrr... Is that you Bobby? Punkthorne doubles, can you play next week?... Well, I know it's a bit early, but Charles says... Oh! all right... if you feel like that about it... Bye-bye.

Brrr...brrr...brrr... I say Cynthia darling, I think we're going to have trouble with Bobby and Daphne over the Punkthorne doubles... I know... I agree... Yes... I think so too... Of course... But Charles... quite... quite... Well I'll do my best... Bye-bye.

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Brrr... brrr... brrr... Oh! Daphne; how nice to hear your voice... Yes, I had a lovely time in Paris... Three whole weeks... quite unexpected... Paris in the spring, Ha-ha... You've been trying to ring me?... Oh! the Punkthorne doubles... Well I did try Bobby last month, or was it the month before?... and he said... Well, I know it's June, but I've been AWAY... Yes, I'll ring Cynthia at once.

Brrr . . . brrr . . . brrr . . . Cyn Darling . . . Yes, heavenly . . . the food . . . the clothes . . . I agree . . . Quite . . . Yes . . . Of course . . . I think so too . . Lovely . . . Oh darling, before you go; the Punkthorne doubles . . . What? you're going to Spain tomorrow . . a month? . . Lucky you . . . Yes. I'll fix it with Bobby for when you come back . . . Have a good time . . . Bye-bye.

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Brrr . . . brrr . . . brrr . . . Oh! Bobby darling, When

ARE we going to play those doubles . . I know, but I've been
away and now Cynthia's going to Spain, and she said fix it with you
for when she gets back . . . next month . . . What? . . . Going to
America . . . All July? Oh dear! . . . That makes it August and it's
so difficult then . . . Well, I'll ring Daphne and see what we can do
. . . . Bye-bye.

Brrr . . . brrr . . . brrr . . . Daphne? . . . My dear . . . This is awful . . . Cyn's going tp Spain all June and Bobby says he'll be in America all July; we'll just have to play in August sometime . . . Well, your sister will have to look after herself . . . Well, she'll have to look after the kids too . . . Oh well, if you can't . . . well, that's THAT . . . Bye-bye.

Brrr...brrr...brrr...brrr...Hullo, Bobby darling...How are you...How's America...Oh!...Lovely...I do envy you...It's been such a lovely summer here too...Yes, August was terrific...You're going to Parkstone? and Eastbourne?...My, you are busy...well, well, we'll get that double off when you get back...Bye-bye.

Brrr... brrr... brrr... brrr... Oh Cyn darling... No, I've not seen you since you went to Spain... My dear... Good gracious... However did you... Well, I never... How exciting... what fun... lovely, lovely... Did he really... What? REALLY?... Oh you shouldn't have... well, why not really... you're not married... but how heavenly... Going to Majorca for a week? Naughty-naughty... No, I won't tell... not a word... Don't do anything I wouldn't... Oh Cyn, You are awful... Bye... Give him my love... Bye-bye.

him my love . . Bye-bye.

Brrr . . brrr . . brrr . . Daphne, darling; Bobby's back; and Cyn . . My dear have you heard? . . All over the town? . . Well, why shouldn't she? . . I know . . anyway, good luck to them . . Yes . . Well, they both agree . . I'll ring Charles about a court . . Nonsense . . He won't mind . . Oh, he wouldn't do that . . he wouldn't dare . . not to me . . Yes . . I'll fix it . . Bye-bye.

Brrr... brrr... brrr... brrr... Charles, My love... Victory at last... Bobby and Daphne and Cyn and I are all here and we'll play off that dreadful double tomorrow... What? No lawns? What about 7?... Watering?... WHAT did you say?... We were all scratched months ago?... Charles! You can't DO that to US.

HURLINGHAM v. ROEHAMPTON May 1st, 1965

1st Teams-At Hurlingham

B. Lloyd-Pratt and Mrs. W. Longman lost to R. O. Hicks and R. F. Thorp —18.

M. B. Reckitt and S. S. Townsend bt A. V. Camroux and Miss D. A. Lintern +3.
R. A. Godby and P. J. M. Fidler bt J. B. Gilbert and Professor

R. A. Godby and P. J. M. Fidler bt J. B. Gilbert and Professo B. G. Neal +15. Hurlingham won 2 matches to 1.

ROEHAMPTON v. HURLINGHAM

2nd Teams-At Roehampton

J. T. Laurenson and Mrs G. W. Solomon bt I. C. Baillieu and Mrs. A. W. Skempton +3.

D. C. Caporn and A. J. Oldham lost to Professor A. W. Skempton
 C. B. Sanford —4.

Miss F. Pavia and Mrs. M. H. Carrington lost to Mrs. F. H. N. Davidson and Mrs. A. D. Karmel —14. Hurlingham won 2 matches to 1.

Puzzle Corner

(from N.Z. referees exam.)

Blue takes off from Black on the east border to Red on the west border. Yellow is in front of its own fifth hoop.

Blue makes a series of calamities. First it does not move Black; then it roquets Yellow through its fifth hoop and finally it goes off the lawn without roqueting Red.

What does Red and Yellow do now?

ANSWER. Ask a referee. Is this correct, please?

Red and Yellow either condone the fault of not moving Black or not.

If condoned Blue takes croquet from Yellow and Yellow's hoop would count.

If not condoned Blue would go back to Black and Yellow would go back to where it was roqueted and its hoop would not count.

THE DOMINION CHAMPIONSHIPS

NELSON—NEW ZEALAND

This, the climax of the season in New Zealand, and the 49th occasion of the event, drew players from all over the dominion, as it always does in mid-January. But there were notable absentees this year; included in this category were A. D. Heenan, Mr. and Mrs. Middlemiss, John Prince, Tony Stephens and Ralph Browne. These last three represent a younger generation corresponding to our own, but are now embarked on their professional careers and find it much less easy, as our players similarly placed are likely to do in future, to spare time for tournaments. Such absence is certain to be greatly regretted in both countries. At least we do not here yet have to lament (as does a writer in the N.Z. Croquet Gazette, on which this account draws for its information) that "the intake of younger up and coming players is much smaller than of other days". It does not seem as if New Zealand has as yet contrived to rely for recruitment on its universities.

The hero of the fortnight was Gordon Rowling who, in winning the Open, the Men's and the Doubles Championships (with Mrs Jarden), succeeded in doing what only five other players have done in the same year, the latest to do so being A. G. F. Moss in 1953, C. Watkins in 1954, A. D. Heenan in 1958 and A. J. Stephens in 1960—though our own John Solomon has come near to doing so on the occasion of his two visits to the dominion. It was remarked that Arthur Ross had competed in every dominion tournament since he first did so as a high school boy in 1914.

The main results were:

Open Championship:

Men's Championship:

Women's Championship:

Doubles Championships:

1 G. Rowling; 2 Mrs. Jarden.

1 G. Rowling; 2 H. G. Ford.

Wrs. Wadsworth; 2 Mrs. Todd.

1 G. Rowling and Mrs. Jarden;

2 Mr. and Mrs. Wadsworth.

Handicap Singles—English Rose Bowl: Mrs. Hight. Handicap Singles—Hurlingham Cup: Mrs. Barltrop.

Our readers will be interested to learn that Mrs. Ada Kirk, who won our Women's Championship on her visit with the N.Z. team in 1956, is visiting England this summer and should be arriving about the time this number appears. She will, we know, be most warmly welcomed.

Ouestions and Answers

Question: If a referee watches a shot at a ball against a wire and he sees that the ball in question only shook or moved, is it his duty to tell the adversary of this fact?

Answer: No, it is up to the adversary to enquire about this from the referee, otherwise it would be giving the adversary advice; he should know the law about shaking or moving a ball in such circumstances otherwise he must suffer the consequences. See Law

Question: Although Laws 18 (c) and 23 (c) forbid certain practices, no penalties are given in these Laws for breaches of their provision. What can an assistant referee, not appointed for a particular game, do if he sees a player persistently disregarding the provisions of these Laws?

Answer: Report the matter to the Referee of the Tournament, who can then (i) appoint a referee for the game in which that player is playing or is next going to play, (ii) warn the player against such practice, and (iii) disqualifiy him after a warning has been given. The assistant referee cannot intervene in the game in progress without the permission of the Referee of the Tournament (Regs. 7 and 4 K).

THE PEEL MEMORIALS

May 10th-15th

"A blaze of summer sunshine"; this phrase was quoted in the report of this tournament last year to describe the weather in which this habitually chilly meeting was customarily held; the quotation from an account of the Peels in 1936 was adduced to show that such conditions, however exceptional, were not wholly unprecedented. But what surely is so is to have them prevail in two consecutive years, as in fact has now been the case. The sun blazed away to such effect that competitors were watering the courts not with their tears but with their heated brows. Yet this is the week over which the "Ice Saints" are supposed to exercise their frozen spells; on this occasion they transformed themselves into Ice Cream Saints, their products being enthusiastically patronised in the sunny restaurant.

The courts at Roehampton have greatly improved of recent years, and most of all the two new ones on the upper tier, which may soon be the best of the six. Several of the provincial visitors described the lawns as "ever so fast", but this is not really the case, though it may become so later in the season. At present it needs a certain effort to get long split shots moving, and most of the players often found they had taken off short.

Someone was heard to observe early in the week that "it has obviously been a chilly spring", the inference from the remark being that most people seemed to be very much out of practice and hardly anyone was playing particularly well. The score sheets will doubtless record how large a proportion of the games played were won "on time". This was in some cases due to failure to live up to what Law 49 prescribes: "a player shall play his strokes with reasonable despatch". One competitor was timed to have taken 34 minutes over a turn starting from the third hoop and duly reaching the peg, which is at least twice as long as it should have been. Others fell into the opposite error of playing with too much despatch and not enough reasonableness. It is not only slow but thoughtless

play which produces overlong games.

Another thing which has a similar effect is exhaustion, physical and psychical. This was evident in the final of the Women's Peel. Both Lady Ursula Abbey and Mrs. Pat Solomon had played notably well during the week. It was the former who had put out the holder, Mrs. Neville Rolfe, who had (very narrowly) defeated Mrs. Rutland who had played well during the week, and had lost a close game in a "timed" contest against Mrs. Solomon. She went on to beat her in the Process. But of the final, which lasted three hours and fifty minutes, it can best be said that interest was well sustained, both war-worn players handing out chances to each

other in very generous fashion in the closing stages of the match.

The feature of the Men's event was the play of Mr. Riggall whom nobody was able to threaten very seriously except Mr. Caporn, who might have won had the call of "time" not intervened, and that ever-young veteran, Captain Stoker, who in winning the event for the third time brought off the feat on two occasions by his shrewd combination of skill and guile. Mr. Riggall has made himself into a good player by assiduous practice in a remarkably short period. He has nothing to learn about the principles of break making and very little about the right way to make use of bisques, but—quite naturally—tends to get a bit baffled when finding himself in less "standardised" situations. He is right to strive for great accuracy in making his breaks, but must learn to do so with rather less deliberation than he now feels necessary; and he must hit his roquets more firmly than he does if he is not to waste the fewer bisques he will henceforward receive.

The Doubles final did not begin until six o'clock on Saturday and continued until nine o'clock. The Parsons Green pair has a very formidable record of success in such contests to its credit, but this was not sufficient to overcome the strong combination of Mr. Roper and Mrs. Solomon. The latter pair had enjoyed an easy victory over the holders, Capt. Stoker and Mrs. Neville Rolfe,

and can reflect upon the week's achievements with pride.

The Tournament was presided over with efficient serenity by Mr.

Brian Gilbert, who thus forfeited the opportunity of playing in it. Such altruism deserves our gratitude and such competence, our admiration. He was much aided by Mrs. Skempton in her capacity as the "Sorcerers Apprentice", and we have all much reason to be grateful to those who are ready to be trained in the mysteries of this important art.

> MEN'S HANDICAP SINGLES THE DRAW (14 Entries)

FIRST ROUND
L. Riggall (10) bt D. J. V. Hamilton-Miller $(-2\frac{1}{2})+24$.
M. B. Reckitt $(-\frac{1}{2})$ bt L. E. W. Stokes-Roberts $(6\frac{1}{2})+20$.
Dr. T. E. Ryves (4) bt Capt. W. A. T. Synge $(4\frac{1}{2})+15$. A. V. Rutland (8) w.o. Maj. J. R. Abbey. Capt. H. G. Stoker (—1) bt E. A. Roper (2) +7. D. C. Caporn (2) w.o. A. G. Sadler (2) . SECOND ROUND

L. Riggall (10) bt M. Spencer Ell (1½) +22. M. B. Reckitt (—½) bt Dr. T. E. Ryves (4) +2. Capt. H. G. Stoker (—1) bt A. V. Rutland (8) +3. D. C. Caporn (2) bt Maj. J. H. Dibley $(2\frac{1}{2}) + 10$. SEMI-FINAL

L. Riggall (10) bt M. B. Reckitt (-1) +24. Capt. H. G. Stoker (-1) bt D. C. Caporn (2) +12.

Capt. H. G. Stoker (—1) bt L. Riggall (10) +5.

PROCESS (14 Entries) FIRST ROUND

A. G. Sadler (2) bt Capt. W. A. T. Synge $(4\frac{1}{2}) + 11$. D. J. V. Hamilton-Miller $(-2\frac{1}{2})$ bt E. A. Roper (2) +4. Maj. J. R. Abbey (1½) bt M. Spencer Ell (1½) +19. D. C. Caporn (2) bt A. V. Rutland (8) +13. Maj. J. H. Dibley (2½) bt Dr. T. E. Ryves (4) +9. L. Riggall (10) bt Capt. H. G. Stoker (-1) +11. SECOND ROUND

D. J. V. Hamilton-Miller $(-2\frac{1}{2})$ w.o. A. G. Sadler. M. B. Reckitt $(-\frac{1}{2})$ bt Maj. J. R. Abbey $(1\frac{1}{2}) + 14$. D. C. Caporn (2) bt L. E. W. Stokes-Roberts $(6\frac{1}{2}) + 7$. L. Riggall (10) bt Maj. J. H. Dibley $(2\frac{1}{2}) + 9$.

M. B. Reckitt $(-\frac{1}{2})$ bt D. J. V. Hamilton-Miller $(-2\frac{1}{2})$ +6. L. Riggall (10) bt D. C. Caporn (2) +4. On time. FINAL

L. Riggall (10) bt M. B. Reckitt $\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) + 24$.

Capt. H. G. Stoker (-1) bt L. Riggall (10) +5.

WOMEN'S HANDICAP SINGLES PROCESS (20 Entries)

FIRST ROUND Mrs. P. D. Showan (2) bt Mrs. J. Speer (5) +11. Lady Ursula Abbey (2) bt Mrs. H. Wills (9) +22. Miss B. Duthie (6) bt Mrs. W. A. T. Synge $(4\frac{1}{2}) +16$ Mrs. F. H. N. Davidson (5) bt Mrs. V. C. Gasson $(2\frac{1}{2}) + 1$. (On Time.)

Mrs. A. D. Karmel $(7\frac{1}{2})$ bt Mrs. A. N. Rolfe $(3\frac{1}{2}) + 12$.
Mrs. G. W. Solomon (2) bt Mrs. P. D. Showan (2) +13.
Mrs. K. Rutland (10) bt Mrs. E. M. Lightfoot (2) +23.
Mrs. M. H. Carrington $(6\frac{1}{2})$ w.o. Lady Ursula Abbey.
Miss D. A. Lintern (-1) bt Mrs. E. M. Temple $(4\frac{1}{2}) + 2$.

Miss B. Duthie (6) bt Mrs. E. A. Roper (6) +14.

Mrs. G. Riggall (10) bt Miss E. M. Brumpton (5) +4. (On Time.) Miss E. C. Brumpton (5) bt Mrs. H. F. N. Davidson (5) +18. THIRD ROUND

Mrs. G. W. Solomon (2) bt Mrs. A. D. Karmel $(7\frac{1}{2}) + 13$. Mrs. K. Rutland (10) bt Mrs. M. H. Carrington (6) +2. Miss B. Duthie (6) bt Miss D. A. Lintern (-1) +8. Mrs. G. Riggall (10) bt Miss E. C. Brumpton (5) +3.

Mrs. G. W. Solomon (2) bt Mrs. K. Rutland (10) +4. (On time.) Mrs. G. Riggall (10) bt Miss B. Duthie (6) +19.

Mrs. G. W. Solomon (2) bt Mrs. G. Riggall (10) +16.

DRAW (20 Entries)

Mrs. E. M. Temple $(4\frac{1}{2})$ bt Mrs. A. D. Karmel $(7\frac{1}{2})+7$. Miss E. C. Brumpton (5) bt Mrs. M. H. Carrington $(6\frac{1}{2})+2$. (On Time.)
Mrs. G. W. Solomon (2) bt Mrs. E. A. Roper (6) +11.
Mrs. K. Rutland (10) bt Mrs. G. Riggall (10) +7. (On Time.)

SECOND ROUND

Lady Ursula Abbey (2) bt Mrs. F. H. N. Davidson (5) +4. Mrs. W. A. T. Synge (41) bt Mrs. P. D. Showan (2) +12. Miss E. M. Brumpton (5) bt Mrs. E. M. Lightfoot (2) +12. Mrs. E. M. Temple $(4\frac{1}{2})$ bt Miss E. C. Brumpton (5) + 1. (On Time.) Mrs. K. Rutland (10) bt Mrs. G. W. Solomon (2) +23. Mrs. A. N. Rolfe (3½) bt Miss D. A. Lintern (-1) +19. Mrs. V. C. Gasson (2½) bt Mrs. H. Wills (9) +5. Miss B. Duthie (6) bt Mrs. J. Speer (5) +19.

THIRD ROUND

Lady Ursula Abbey (2) bt Mrs. W. A. T. Synge $(4\frac{1}{2})$ +12. Mrs. A. N. Rolfe $(3\frac{1}{2})$ bt Mrs. K. Rutland (10) +23. Miss B. Duthie (6) bt Mrs. V. C. Gasson $(2\frac{1}{2})$ +18.

SEMI-FINAL

Lady Ursula Abbey (2) bt Miss E. M. Brumpton (5) +18. Mrs. A. N. Rolfe $(3\frac{1}{2})$ bt Miss B. Duthie (6) +2.

Lady Ursula Abbey (2) bt Mrs. A. N. Rolfe $(3\frac{1}{2}) + 10$.

PLAY OFF

Lady Ursula Abbey (2) bt Mrs. G. W. Solomon (2) +3.

HANDICAP DOUBLES (8 Pairs) **EVENT 3**

FIRST ROUND

Capt. H. G. Stoker and Mrs. A. N. Rolfe (2½) bt Miss D. A. Lintern and Mrs. G. Riggall (9) +18.
G. A. Roper and Mrs. G. W. Solomon (4) bt Mrs. A. V. Rutland and Mrs. E. M. Temple $(14\frac{1}{2}) + 10$. (On Time.) The Misses E. M. and E. C. Brumpton (10) bt L. E. W. Stokes-Roberts

and Mrs. H. Wills $(15\frac{1}{2}) + 13$. Miss B. Duthie and Mrs. V. C. Gasson $(8\frac{1}{2})$ bt Dr. T. E. Ryves and Mrs. E. A. Roper $(10\frac{1}{2}) + 2$. On Time.

SECOND ROUND

J. Riggall and Mrs. E. M. Lightfoot (12) bt M. B. Reckitt and A. V. Rutland (7½) +5. On Time.
 E. A. Roper and Mrs. G. W. Solomon (4) bt Capt. H. G. Stoker

and Mrs. A. N. Rolfe (2‡) + 21. The Misses E. M. and E. C. Brumpton (10) bt Miss B. Duthie and

Mrs. V. C. Gasson (8) +4. Mrs. P. D. Showan and Mrs. J. Speer (7) bt Capt. and Mrs. W. A. T. Synge (9) +2.

SEMI-FINAL

E. A. Roper and Mrs. G. W. Solomon (4) bt L. Riggall and Mrs. Lightfoot (12) +7. (On Time.) Mrs. P. D. Showan and Mrs. J. Speer (7) bt The Misses E. M. and E. C. Brumpton (10) +3. FINAL.

E. A. Roper and Mrs. G. W. Solomon (4) bt Mrs. P. D. Showan and Mrs. J. Speer (7) +14.

CHELTENHAM

(Easter)

AMERICAN HANDICAP SINGLES (25 Entries) **BLOCK WINNERS**

BLOCK 1

 J. W. Solomon (—3) 5 games
 bt D. W. Miller (1½) by 7, G. E. P. Jackson (—1) by 4, Col. G. T.
 Wheeler (8) by 14, Dr. C. A. Boucher (2) by 18 and R. D. C. Prichard (12) by 10.

W. Green (6) 4 games bt J. W. Solomon (—3) by 22, D. W. Miller (1½) by 8, G. E. P. Jackson (—1) by 3 and Dr. C. A. Boucher (2) by 21.

R. D. C. Prichard (12) 3 games
bt W. Green (6) by 7, D. W. Miller (1½) by 7, Dr. C. A. Boucher

(2) by 5. D. W. Miller (1½) 3 games

bt G. E. P. Jackson (-1) by 15, Col. G. T. Wheeler (8) by 6, Dr. C. A. Boucher (2) by 19. Col. G. T. Wheeler (8) 3 games

bt W. Green (6) by 16, G. E. P. Jackson (—1) by 23, R. D. C. Prichard (12) by 12. G. E. P. Jackson (-1) 2 games

bt Dr. C. A. Boucher (2) by 13, R. D. C. Prichard (12) by 8. Dr. C. A. Boucher (2) 1 games bt Col. G. T. Wheeler (8) by 20.

Block Winner, J. W. Solomon. Runner-up, W. Green.

BLOCK II

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K. A. Ross (4) 5 games
bt Mrs. G. W. Solomon (2) by 16, R. F. Rothwell (—½) by 17,
C. G. Miller (4½) by 9, Miss I. M. Roe (1½) by 21 and Miss E.
Hawkins (9*) by 15.

R. F. Rothwell (—½) 4 games
bt Mrs. G. W. Solomon (2) by 9, C. G. Miller (4½) by 16, Miss
I. M. Roe (1½) by 2 and Miss E. Hawkins (9*) by 18.

Mrs. G. W. Solomon (2) 2 games bt C. G. Miller (4½) by 22, Miss I. M. Roe (1½) by 16.

Miss E. Hawkins (9*) 2 games bt C. G. Miller ($4\frac{1}{2}$) by 13, Miss I. M. Roe ($1\frac{1}{2}$) by 5. C. G. Miller (41) 1 game

bt Miss I. M. Roe (11) by 9.

Block Winner, K. A. Ross. Runner-up, R. F. Rothwell.

BLOCK III

Col. G. Borrett (4) 5 games bt Lloyd Pratt (—2) by 16, Miss M. A. Posford (6) by 22, Miss K. M. O. Sessions (2) by 18, Mrs. J. W. Solomon (16) by 26 and William Prichard (16) by 2.

Miss K. M. O. Sessions (2) 3 games bt B. Lloyd-Pratt (-2) by 9, Mrs. J. W. Solomon (16) by 15 and W. de B. C. Prichard (16) by 2.

B. Lloyd-Pratt (-2) 2 games bt Miss M. A. Posford (6) by 6 and W. de B. C. Prichard (16)

Miss M. A. Posford (6) 2 games bt Miss K. M. O. Sessions (2) by 7 and Mrs. J. W. Solomon (16) by 15.

W. de B. C. Prichard (16) 1 game bt Mrs. J. W. Solomon (16) by 25.

Block Winner, Col. G. Borrett. Runner-up, Miss K. M. O. Sessions.

C. H. L. Prichard (10) 4 games bt Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard $(-2\frac{1}{2})$ by 23, R. F. Thorp $(-1\frac{1}{2})$ by 23, Miss M. Hawkins (10*) by 11 and Mrs. D. M. C. Prichard

(5) by 7.

R. F. Thorp (-1½) 4 games
bt F. W. Meredith (2) by 19, Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard (-2½) by 15, Miss M. Hawkins (10*) by 15 and Mrs. D. M. C. Prichard

(5) by 4.

Mrs. D. M. C. Prichard (5) 3 games
bt F. W. Meredith (2) by 23, Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard (-2½)
by 10 and Miss M. Hawkins (10*) by 24.

F. W. Meredith (2) 2 games
bt Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard (-2½) by 9 and C. H. L. Prichard

(10) by 4. Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard $(-2\frac{1}{2})$ 1 game

bt Miss M. Hawkins (10*) by 9

Block Winner, C. H. L. Prichard. Runner-up, R. F. Thorp.

HUNSTANTON 23rd-26th April, 1965

Many interesting and a few exciting games were to be seen during this week-end tournament. As usual several were lost solely due to bad tactics caused sometimes by lack of knowledge but usually by lack of thought. We were surprised to observe several of these from "A" block players who should know better. Except in exceptional circumstances to join up inside the four outer hoops against players in this class invites disaster and so it often proved to be the case! At least one game was lost because of this and another in the same block by joining at the opponent's hoop. In the "B" block the main faults were in taking position

for a hoop instead of normally laying a rush with the result that on running the hoop, if one was lucky enough to be able to do so on the following turn, the player found he or she was either ham-pered by the hoop or had no rush of any use. Moving when playing a shot, particularly the feet or head, resulted usually in a missed roquet. Most players were rather rusty but all improved as the tournament progressed. In "A" block Arthur Reed was the worthy winner. He played aggressive attacking croquet which the writer loves to watch and wishes he could see more often. When he was playing he was always worth watching for his skilful execution and enterprise. Bryan Lloyd-Pratt, Mrs. Solomon and Mrs. Rolfe had some good wins, whilst Derek Caporn broke his duck by winning one game after three years' labour here. In block "B" Mrs. D. F. Caporn played better than ever before to win her block without conceding a single game, a fine performance. She also put up a good show in the play-off which Arthur Reed eventually won with some brilliant croquet. It is disconcerting to a high bisquer when her opponent hits the tice and goes right round. Time was found for an extra doubles event which the Caporns won.

The weather was splendid with many hours sunshine, the lawns were in very good condition, the coffee and teas warmly welcomed and the friendly atmosphere delightful. Our grateful thanks to the Club for organizing this splendid second course to the Tournament menu. Long may it flourish. We can strongly recommend this weekend to players of all handicaps.

Block "A" Winner: A. A. Reed.

Block "B" Winner: Mrs. D. F. Caporn.

Play off

A. A. Reed bt Mrs. D. F. Caporn +12.

EXTRA EVENT HANDICAP DOUBLES

FIRST ROUND B. Lloyd-Pratt and Dr. H. M. Browning (8) bt Mrs. G. W. Solomon and Mrs. M. Carrington (8½) +9.

D. C. Caporn and Mrs. D. F. Caporn (131) bt G. Williams and D. T. Page (6) +11. Mrs. A. N. Rolfe and Mrs. P. E. Heley (7½) bt B. Lloyd-Pratt and

Dr. H. M. Browning (8) +5. D. C. Caporn and Mrs. D. F. Caporn (131) bt Mrs. A. N. Rolfe and

Mrs. P. Heley $(7\frac{1}{2}) + 4$.

BUDLEIGH SALTERTON

May 3rd-8th

The weather was rather cold and blustery. The going was heavy, and I never won anything. Nevertheless this contributor can honestly say that this tournament was one of the most enjoyable and certainly the most superbly planned and smoothly run tournament that he has ever attended. Thanks are due to one and all for the great co-operative effort made by the Club. These sentiments were expressed by Captain Stoker when he presented the prizes at approximately 4 p.m. on the Saturday to the 6 block winners of the Singles, to the winner of the play-off between these block winners, to the winner of the Doubles and finally to the winner of the extra event. The gallant Captain had only reluctantly accepted this honour for he had feared that the dinner hour may have passed before the end of play.

The object of the Croquet Championships is to produce the rightful champion. But the object of most Croquet Tournaments is to enable visitors to take a holiday devoted primarily to competitive croquet play. This surely accounts for the growing popularity of American Tournaments, as can be witnessed from recent Gazettes. Such Tournaments are ideally suited to the Budleigh Salterton Club who made available 10 lawns for an entry of 36 in the Singles, divided into 6 blocks each with 6 players and of 32 players in the Doubles, which was played as a knock-out. The order of play for the Monday and Tuesday was posted on the preceding evening and this programme provided 3 games for all players. After tea, vacated lawns were used for friendly matches between those with a surplus of energy. The singles were not time-limited as only one game in the second round of the doubles was won on time.

The Wednesday as usual was devoted to the Doubles. There were no byes. All entries played in the morning and 50 per cent again in the afternoon. By the Thursday evening all block winners had emerged and only about 3 games which would not affect the

result remained to be played. It follows therefore that in these four days virtually 50 per cent had played 6 games and the remaining 50 per cent had played 7 games. Bearing this in mind one must pay a tribute to the fortitude of Lt.-Col. Heathcote who stepped into the breach when Mrs. Briggs unfortunately fell out. Friday and Saturday were again busy days for all because an extra was begun and completed.

Congratulations must be extended to Miss Warwick for winning the A Block off the back-mark. Her nerve must have been well tested because her four wins included margins of +2, +3 and +3. Several times I was asked to explain why the Handicapping Committee allowed Captain Stoker, a 1964 President's Cup player, to continue to play off a handicap of -1. I could only reply to my questioners that they had asked the wrong man. The state of the going was all against Mrs. Elvey who came into her own in the

Mrs. Smart was a convincing winner of B Block. Her victory was already assured before she lost her last game to Mr. Moore This lady, who took up serious croquet in the sixties, has now acquired a handicap of $1\frac{1}{2}$ whilst still in the sixties. This is a challenging record for both sexes to try to emulate; for this would have been a handicap of $-\frac{1}{2}$ in the 1950's. Mr. Franklin with 4 wins won C Block from Lt.-Col. Healing on points. More successes are assured for both these improving players.

D Block was the most evenly contested block, and it produced the overall winner in Professor Ross. He won 3 games and all the other players won 2 games. Congratulations to the Handicappers! The Professor with his wife also featured in the semi-finals of the Doubles so no doubt certain eyes will be focused on him. E Block was won by Mrs. Nash who had won G Block in 1963. This block also introduced a promising new tournament player in Mr. Bucknall. F Block was won by Sir Leonard Daldry who was the only player to remain undefeated in any block. He will undoubtedly reduce his handicap substantially over the next few years.

There was an exciting match in one of the Doubles semi-finals between Mrs. Prichard and Mr. Baillieu who won an apparently lost game from Mr. Henshaw and his more youthful partner Captain Stoker, whose combined ages totalled 163 years. Mrs. Prichard was a tower of strength to her partner throughout the event but the pair went down in the final to Mrs. Elvey and Mrs. Cruden who thoroughly deserved their victory. The formidable Colonel at last fought his way, as usual, into the money when he won the extra.

Results

BLOCK "A"

Winner: Miss E. J. Warwick (-2½) won 4/5 games. She beat Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey (0), J. G. Warwick (-2), Capt. H. G. Stoker (-1), Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave (-1) and lost to Col. D. M. C. Prichard $(-2\frac{1}{2})$.

BLOCK "B'

Winner: Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt (2) won 4/5 games. She beat Major E. C. Heathcote (1½), I. C. Baillieu (1), Dr. R. B. N. Smartt (1), Lt.-Col. T. F. Laverty (2) and lost to W. E. Moore (1½).

Winner: W. B. Franklin (5) won 4/5 games. He beat G. R. Mills (4½), Mrs. M. H. Vincent (2), Miss K. Ault (3), Miss J. Cooper (4½), lost to Col. W. R. Healing (2½).

BLOCK "D"

Winner: Professor A. S. C. Ross (6½) won 3/4 games. He beat Mrs. T. F. Laverty (6½), Mrs. S. S. Cruden (8), A. V. Rutland (8), and lost to Mrs. D. M. C. Prichard (5).

BLOCK "E"

Winner: Mrs. D. E. Nash (10) won 4/5 games. She beat Mrs. I. M. Purves (10), Miss M. Bryan (9), Mrs. A. S. C. Ross (10), Mrs. A. V. Rutland (10), and lost to W. R. Bucknall (7).

BLOCK "F"

Winner: Sir Leonard Daldry (12 D 10) won 5/5 games. He beat Mrs. H. Harris (15), Mrs. N. Kitchin (13), Major R. St. G. Atchley (10), Dr. R. R. Traill (12) and F. Henshaw (13).

PLAY-OFF

QUARTER FINAL

Professor A. S. C. Ross (612) beat Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt (2) +7. Sir Leonard Daldry (12) beat W. B. Franklin (5) +3.

SEMI-FINAL

Miss E. J. Warwick (-2½) beat Sir Leonard Daldry (12) +3. Professor A. S. C. Ross (6½) beat Mrs. D. E. Nash (10)

Professor A. S. C. Ross $(6\frac{1}{2})$ beat Miss E. J. Warwick $(-2\frac{1}{2}) + 21$.

DOUBLES (HANDICAP)

(Combined Handicap to be not less than 6 bisques)

FIRST ROUND Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey and Mrs. S. S. Cruden (7) bt Col. W. R. Healing

and Miss J. Cooper (7) +11.

Miss K. Ault and W. R. Bucknall (10) bt Capt. M. F. Buller and and Miss M. Bryan (10) +4.

W. B. Franklin and Mrs. T. F. Laverty (11½) bt J. Lee and Dr. R. R.

Prof. A. S. C. Ross and Mrs. A. S. C. Ross (161) bt Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave and Mrs. G. E. Cave (7) + 9.

A. V. Rutland and Mrs. A. V. Rutland (18) bt Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Pritchard and R. S. G. Atchley $(7\frac{1}{2}) + 10$ Capt. H. G. Stoker and F. Henshaw (12) bt J. G. Warwick and

Mrs. R. C. Hawkins (7) +5. I.C. Baillieu and Mrs. D. M. C. Prichard (6) bt Lt.-Col. T.F. Laverty

Mrs. D. E. Nash (12) +9. W. E. Moore and G. R. Mills (6) bt Miss E. J. Warwick and Sir L.

Daldry $(7\frac{1}{2}) + 11$. SECOND ROUND

Mr. G. F. H. Elvey and Mrs. S. S. Cruden (7) bt Miss K. Ault and W. R. Bucknall (10) +5.

Prof. A. S. C. Ross and Mrs. A. S. C. Ross (161) bt W. B. Franklin and Mr. T. F. Laverty (11½) +5 (on time.)
Capt. H. G. Stoker and F. Henshaw (12) bt A. V. Rutland and

Mrs. A. V. Rutland (18) +14. I. C. Baillieu and Mrs. D. M. C. Prichard (6) bt W. E. Moore and

G. R. Mills (6) +11. SEMI-FINAL

Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey and Mrs. S. S. Cruden (7) bt Prof. A. S. C. Ross and Mrs. A. S. C. Ross $(16\frac{1}{2}) + 5$.

I. C. Baillieu and Mrs. D. M. C. Prichard (12) bt Capt. H. G. Stoker and F. Henshaw (6) +5.

FINAL
Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey and Mrs. S. S. Cruden (7) bt I. C. Baillieu and Mrs. D. M. C. Prichard (12) +12.

TOURNAMENTS

GENERAL CONDITIONS AND INFORMATION

The following conditions apply to all tournaments advertised below unless specified to the contrary in any advertisement:-

- 1. The tournament will be played under the Laws of Association Croquet and the Regulations for Official Tournaments.
- 2. The Tournament Committee reserves the right to refuse an entry without giving a reason. In particular, entries will not be accepted in excess of the capacity of the courts.
- 3. If there are very few entries for an event, the Manager may play it on the American system, even though otherwise advertised.
- 4. Hoops will be 33 in. wide. Jaques "Eclipse" balls will be used.
- 5. Flat-soled footwear must be worn on the lawns.
- 6. In C.A. tournaments no leave will be granted before the draw has been nade. Applications for leave on the first day will be considered immediately after the draw by the Manager or a deputy authorised by him. Leave on other days may be given by the Manager only. In other tournaments leave may be granted by the Manager or his authorized deputy, if the needs of the tournament permit.
- 7. Entries for C.A. tournaments must be made on Official Forms and must be accompanied by the entrance fee (which includes levy) and any Tribute due. Tribute is payable at the rate of 25s. per tournament or 12s. 6d. for one event only, for all Calendar Fixtures, Official or Non-Official, by all except those competitors paying the standard rate of subscription (i.e. 50s.) and Junior members or others playing in their first Tournament. It is helpful if entries for other Tournaments are made on the Official Forms. In any case entrants should give the address and telephone numbers if possible, which will find them during the tournament: entrance fees and any Tribute due must be paid before
- 8. Winners of Trophies will hold them for one year or until next competed for, whichever period is shorter.
- 9. [i] Play will normally commence at 10 a.m. each day, but the Manager may arrange an earlier start if he feels it desirable.
- [ii] All competitors must report to the Manager on arrival. Any competitor who is not present or is otherwise unable to play when called upon to do so will be liable to be scratched.
- 10. Competitors will be made Honorary members of the Club for the duration of the tournament.

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ROEHAMPTON CLUB on FRIDAY, July 9th to SUNDAY, July 18th, 1965

Committee.—The Tournament Committee of the Croquet

Manager and Handicapper.-Miss D. A. Lintern.

Assistant Manager.-J. B. Gilbert.

Referee.—To be appointed

Secretary.—The Secretary, C.A., The Hurlingham Club, S.W.6.

Open to Associates only

- 1.—FIRST DIVISION. THE ROEHAMPTON CHALLENGE CUP (Open). Entrance Fee, 15s. This Event will be played on the "Two-Life" system, and under the Laws of Advanced Singles Play. Holder: D. J. V. Hamilton-Miller.
- 2.—SECOND DIVISION. THE COUNCIL CHALLENGE CUP. Open to Associates handicapped at $2\frac{1}{2}$ to $5\frac{1}{2}$ bisques inclusive. Entrance Fee, 12s.6d. Level Play. Matches of single games throughout. To be played under the laws of semi-advanced play. Holder: P. D. Hallett.
- 3.—THIRD DIVISION. THE RECKITT CHALLENGE CUP. Open to Associates handicapped at 6 to 8½ bisques inclusive. Entrance Fee, 12s. 6d. Matches of single games throughout. Level Play. Law 36 suspended. Holder: W. B. Franklin.
- 4.—FOURTH DIVISION. THE STEVENSON CHALLENGE CUP. Open to Associates handicapped at 9 bisques or over. Entrance Fee, 12s. 6d. Matches of single games throughout Level Play. Law 36 suspended. Holder: Mrs. T. Croal.
- N.B.-No competitor may enter for more than one of the above
- 5.—HANDICAP DOUBLES. Combined handicaps of 4 bisques or over. Entries should be made in pairs if possible. Entrance Fee, 11s. 6d. each person. Matches of single games throughout. Winners 1964, L. E. W. Stokes-Roberts and W. B. Franklin.

OPEN TO ALL CROQUET PLAYERS

- 6.—THE "GILBEY" CUP. Handicap Singles. This Event will be drawn in four blocks "A", "B", "C", "D" according to handicaps. Entrance Fee, 12s. 6d. Matches of single games throughout. To qualify for the "Gilbey" Cup the winner of "A" v. "B" will play the winner of "C" v. "D". Holder: D. C. Caporn. Supplementary Cups: Block "A", J. B. Gilbert; Block "B", Major-Gen. F. H. N. Davidson; Block "C", Miss G. Bartlett.
- 7.—GOLF CROQUET SINGLES. THE ASCOT CHALLENGE CUP. Entrance Fee, 6s. 6d. The competition will be played under the Official Laws of Golf Croquet. Played in two block according to handicaps: the winners of the blocks playing-off to decide the winner of the Cup. Holder: Mrs. V. C. Gasson.
- 8.—GOLF CROQUET DOUBLES. THE "DELVES BROUGHTON" CHALLENGE CUPS. Presented by the late Sir Delves Broughton. Open to pairs with a combined handicap of not less than 4 bisques. Entrance Fee, 6s. 6d.each person. The Competition will be played under the Official Laws of Golf Croquet. Holders: Capt. H. G. Stoker and Mrs. G. Trull.

INFORMATION

Play in the "GILBEY CUP" will be from Friday, July 9th to Monday, July 12th inclusive.

Play in the "CHALLENGE CUPS" will start on Monday,

Play in the HANDICAP DOUBLES will start on Wednesday, July 14th.

Play in the GOLF CROQUET EVENTS will start on Thursday afternoon, July 15th. Competitors who are not members of the Roehampton Club

will be made Hon. Members of the club for the duration of the

Entries for Events 1 to 4 and 6 must be received by the Secretary before 11 a.m. on Monday, July 5th. Entries for other Events by Tuesday, July 13th. The draw for Events 1 to 4 and 6 will take place at the Croquet Office, Hurlingham Club, S.W.6 on Monday July, 5th at 11 a.m. The Draw for Events 5, 7 and 8 at the Roehampton Club on Tuesday, July 13th at 2.30 p.m.

THE CHAMPIONSHIP AND **DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIPS**

will be held at the

HURLINGHAM CLUB, on JULY 26th, and following days.

Committee.—The Tournament Committee of the Croquet

Manager.-E. A. Roper.

Referee and Handicapper.-J. G. Warwick.

Secretary.—The Secretary, C.A., The Hurlingham Club, S.W.6.

EVENTS

- 1.—THE CROOUET CHAMPIONSHIP. Open to any Competitor (subject to Regulation 22). Entrance Fee, 15s. Matches best of three games. Prize: The Coronation Gold Challenge Cup and a medal. Runner-up, a Silver Challenge Cup. Holder, J. W. Solomon.
- THE DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP. Open to any competitor (subject to Regulation 22). Entrance Fee, 13s. Matches of single games. Prizes: A Pair of Silver Challenge Cups presented by M. B. Reckitt and the late G. L. Reckitt. Holders, E. P. C. Cotter and J. W. Solomon.
- 3.—THE ASSOCIATION PLATE. Open to competitors who have entered for Event 1 and have not qualified for the third round or at the discretion of the Manager. Matches of single games throughout. Entrance Fee, 10s. each entry as they qualify. Level play. Prize: A Challenge Cup presented by W. Longman. Holder, D. F. Strachan.

The entries accompanied by the Entrance Fees for Event 1 must be sent to the Secretary, C.A., so as to reach her not later than the first post on Wednesday, July 21st, and for Event 2 by noon on Tuesday, July 27th.

DRAW

The Draw for Event 1 will take place at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, July 21st, and for Event 2 at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, July 27th, and for Event 3 as will be announced on the ground.

Play will begin at 10.30 a.m. on Monday and 10 a.m. on other

The semi-finals and finals of the Championships will be so arranged that play in them will extend over the afternoons of Friday, July 30th and Saturday, July 31st.

SOUTHWICK

AN UNOFFICIAL TOURNAMENT

will be held

MONDAY, 28th JUNE and 5 following days

(In the past, this Tournament followed the August official Tournament. It has now been separated and becomes our Summer

Manager, Handicapper and Referee.-V. A. de la Nougerede. Hon. Tourn. Sec.-W. H. Austin, Flat A; 3 Victoria Road, Southwick, Sussex.

EVENTS

- 1.—OPEN SINGLES. 3 bisques and under. Fee, 11s. 6d.
- 2.—HANDICAP SINGLES. 31 to 7 bisques. Fee, 11s. 6d.
- 3.—HANDICAP SINGLES. 7½ bisques and over. Fee, 11s. 6d.
- 4.—HANDICAP SINGLES X.Y. (Douglas-Jones Cup). Fee, 11s. 6d. Holder, J. Simon. 5.—HANDICAP DOUBLES. Combined handicap not less than 6 bisques. Games start at No. 3 hoop with time limit of 31

hours. Fee, 11s. 6d. each. Entries (on official forms, please) for Events 1, 2, 3 and 4 to reach the Hon. Secretary by first post on Thursday, 24th June.

Events 1 and 4 will be drawn on Thursday, 24th June.

Event 5 will be drawn on Tuesday, 29th June.

Competitors may not enter for more than three events.

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MONDAY, JUNE 28th to FRIDAY, JULY 2nd

AN UNOFFICIAL (AMERICAN) TOURNAMENT

Manager.-Miss E. J. Warwick.

Handicapper and Referee.-J. G. Warwick.

EVENT

1.—AN AMERICAN SINGLES HANDICAP EVENT. Competitors will be DRAWN in blocks. Winners of blocks will "play off". Entry Fee, 12/6., plus 1965 C.A. Levy.

Entries must reach the Secretary by first post on Wednesday, 23rd June. The DRAW will then take place.

OPEN TOURNAMENT. JULY 5th to JULY 10th

Manager and Handicapper.-Major J. H. Dibley, M.C.

Referee of the Tournament.-J. G. Warwick.

EVENTS

- 1.—OPEN SINGLES. Draw and Process. The Colman Challenge Cup. Entrance Fee, 14/-. Holder: Miss E. J. Warwick.
- 2.-LEVEL SINGLES. Semi-Advanced Play. The Longman Challenge Cup. Open to players 2 to 6 bisques. Entrance Fee, 11/6. Holder: Rev. H. L. Ormerod.
- 3.—HANDICAP SINGLES. The Stone Challenge Cup. Restricted to players of 6½ bisques and over. All games start at the 3rd hoop. Entrance Fee, 11/6.

N.B.-No competitor may enter for more than one of the above Events

- 4.—OPEN HANDICAP SINGLES. The Oliver Challenge Bowl. Entrance Fee, 11/6. Holder: Miss E. J. Warwick.
- 5.—HANDICAP DOUBLES. The Le Mesurier Challenge Cups, Combined Handicap to be not less than 3 bisques. Entrance Fee, 9/6. Holders: R. A. Godby and T. F. H. Jessel.

Entries for events 1, 2, 3 and 4 must reach the Secretary by first post Thursday, 1st July. The DRAW will then take place.

Entries for event 5 must reach the Secretary by Midday Tuesday, July 6th. The DRAW will then take place.

GENERAL NOTES

ENTRIES. All Entries should be sent on the official C.A. forms, please, one form per tournament, and accompanied by entrance fees.

PRIZES. 1st and 2nd prizes will be given for all events. 3rd and other prizes will depend on the number of entries.

EXTRA EVENTS. Extra events will be arranged at tournaments if and when time permits.

TEAS only will be available at the Club for the Unofficial Tourna-

LUNCHEON & TEAS will be available at the Club during the Open Tournament.

Bridge rooms are available at the Club. Stakes are 3d. or 6d.

CHELTENHAM

THE FORTY-NINTH ANNUAL OPEN TOURNAMENT will be held on the

Club Lawns, Old Bath Road

On Monday, July 19th, and five following days

(Under the Laws and Regulations of the Croquet Association)

Committee of the Cheltenham Croquet Club.-G. E. P. Jackson (Chairman).

Manager.—Mrs. H. F. Chittenden. Referee.—Miss W. Adye.

Tournament Secretary.-Cheltenham Croquet Club, Old Bath Road, Cheltenham.

EVENTS

- 1.—OPEN SINGLES. CHELTENHAM CHAMPIONSHIP CUP.
- 'Two Life System". Holder, W. H. Thorp. Entrance Fee, 15s. 2.-LEVEL SINGLES. MONEY SALVER. For players with
- two or more bisques. Law 37. Holder, E. Sidwell. Entrance Fee, 12s. 6d. 3.—HANDICAP SINGLES. CALTHROP CUP. For players with six-and-a-half or more bisques. Entrance Fee, 12s. 6d. No player may enter for more than one of the above events

4.—HANDICAP SINGLES. DANIELS CUP. Open to all. Entrance Fee, 12s. 6d.

5.—HANDICAP DOUBLES. BARWELL SALVERS. Unrestricted. Holders, E. Sidwell and F. H. Pugh. Entrance Fee, 11s. 6d. each player.

Two prizes at least will be given in each event. There will be ten Club lawns. Play will begin each day at 10 a.m. Light Luncheons and Teas may be obtained on the ground.

Buses run to and from town hourly.
Entries must reach Secretary by Midday, Wednesday, July 14th.

Draw for Singles Events in Pavilion at 2 p.m. same day. Entries for Doubles close on Tuesday, July 20th. Cheques for entrance money should be made payable to the Cheltenham Croquet Club.

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HURLINGHAM

THE ANNUAL CROQUET TOURNAMENT

including the

"LADIES' FIELD" CANDLESTICKS (Under the direction of the C.A.)

will be held from

Monday, August 2nd to Wednesday, August 11th, 1965

Committee.—The Croquet Committee of the Club.

Manager and Handicapper.—E. A. Roper.

Referee.-J. G. Warwick.

Games Secretary.-Lt.-Col. R. F. J. Hayward, V.C., M.C.

EVENTS

- 1.—THE HURLINGHAM CUP. Holder. H. O. Hicks. Level Singles. Entrance Fee, 12s. 6d. Draw and Process.
- 2.—THE TURNER CUP. Holder, Mrs. P. D. Showan. Level Singles. For players handicapped at 1 bisque or over not entered for Event 1. Challenge Cup presented by the late Mrs. Ernest Turner. Single games throughout. Entrance Fee, 10s.
- 3.—THE HURLINGHAM DOUBLES. Holders, J. G. Warwick and Miss E. J. Warwick. Level Play. Mixed Pairs. Challenge Cup presented by the late Mrs. Henry Franc. Single Games throughout. Entrance Fee, 10s. each player.
- 4.—THE YOUNGER CUP. Holder, I. Banks. Level Singles. For players handicapped at 4½ bisques and over not entered for Events 1 or 2. Challenge Cup presented by the late Lt.-Col. J. A. C. Younger. Single games throughout. Law 36 suspended. Entrance Fee, 10s.
- 5.—THE LONGWORTH CUP. Holder, C. H. Townshend, Level Singles. For players handicapped at 8 bisques and over, not entered for Events 1, 2 or 4. Challenge Cup presented by Mrs. R. C. Longworth. Single games throughout. Entrance Fee, 10s. All games to start at the third hoop. Law 36 suspended. Now that 8 lawns are available, it is hoped that it will be unnecessary to play any further games at Roehampton.
- 6.—THE PINCKNEY SIMPSON CUP (HANDICAP SINGLES) Holder, C. H. R. Penny. Entrance Fee, 10s.
- 7.—THE "LADIES' FIELD" CANDLESTICKS. (Ladies' Handicap Doubles). Holders, Miss D. A. Lintern and Mrs. M. L. Thom. Open to lady Members of the C.A. only. Entrance Fee, 10s. each player. All games to start at the third hoop.
- 8.-MEN'S HANDICAP DOUBLES. Holders, H. O. Hicks and J. T. Laurenson. Entrance Fee, 10s. All games to start at the

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ENTRIES AND DRAW

All Entries with Fees for Events 1, 2, 4, 5 and 6, with the addresses of the competitors (and telephone number) must reach the Games Secretary, Croquet Tournament, The Hurlingham Club, Fulham, S.W.6. by first post on Wednesday, 28th July (not C.A. Secretary). Entries for Events 3, 7 and 8, will close at noon on Tuesday, August 3rd. The Draw for Events 1, 2, 4, 5 and 6, will take place at the Club on Wednesday, July 28th at 2.30 p.m.: for other Events as announced on the ground.

Cheques should be made payable to The Hurlingham Club.

GENERAL

Play will start at 10 a.m. daily and continue till 7.30 p.m. if necessary.

At least eight Lawns will be provided.

Luncheons, Teas and Dinners can be obtained at the Club. There will also be a Snack Bar.

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